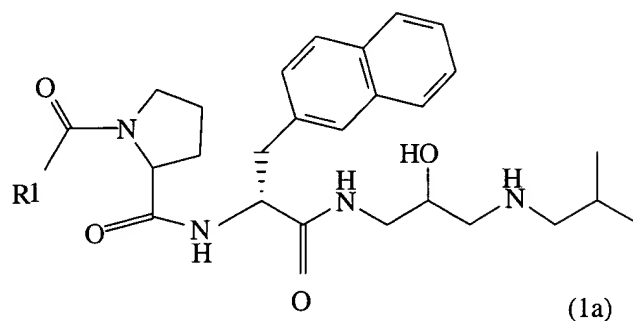


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1.-34. Canceled.

35. (New) A compound having a formula:



wherein

R^1 is substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, substituted or unsubstituted cycloalkyl, substituted or unsubstituted alkoxy, substituted or unsubstituted aryl, or substituted or unsubstituted amino, and

pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

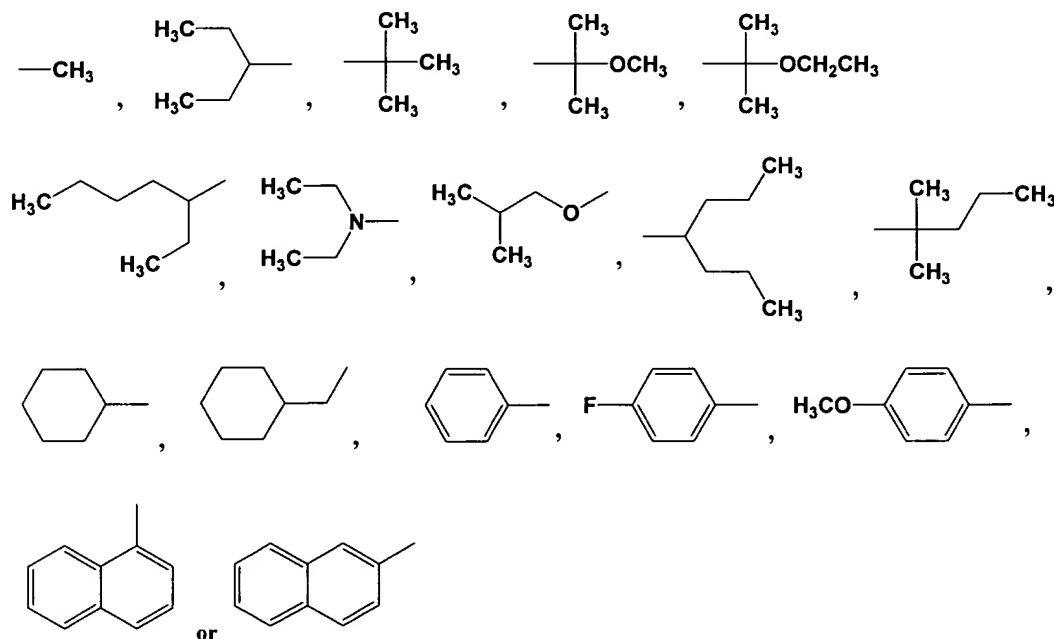
36. (New) A compound and pharmaceutically acceptable salts according to Claim 35:

wherein R^1 is C_{1-11} alkyl which may be substituted by substituted or unsubstituted cycloalkyl, substituted or unsubstituted alkoxy, substituted or unsubstituted aryl, and/or hydroxy; C_{3-6} cycloalkyl which may be substituted by substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, substituted or unsubstituted alkoxy, substituted or unsubstituted aryl, and/or hydroxy; C_{1-11} alkoxy which may be substituted by substituted or unsubstituted cycloalkyl, substituted or unsubstituted aryl, and/or

hydroxy; aryl which may be substituted by substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, substituted or unsubstituted alkoxy, and/or hydroxy; or, amino which may be substituted by substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, and/or substituted or unsubstituted aryl.

37. (New) A compound and pharmaceutically acceptable salts according to Claim 36: wherein R^1 is C_{1-11} alkyl which may be substituted by cycloalkyl, alkoxy, arylalkoxy, aryl and/or halogenated aryl; C_{3-6} cycloalkyl which may be substituted by alkyl; C_{1-5} alkoxy which may be substituted by aryl; aryl which may be substituted by alkyl, alkoxy and/or halogen; or, di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino.

38. (New) A compound and pharmaceutically acceptable salts according to Claim 37: wherein R^1 is selected from the group consisting of



39. (New) A composition which comprises an inert carrier and an effective amount of a compound according to Claim 35.

40. (New) A method for increasing levels of endogenous growth hormones in a human or an animal which comprises administering to such human or animal an effective amount of a compound according to Claim 35.

41. (New) A method to increase the rate and growth of animals, the method comprising administering to a subject in need thereof an effective amount of a compound according to Claim 35.

42. (New) A method to increase the milk production of animals, the method comprising administering to a subject in need thereof an effective amount of a compound according to Claim 35.

43. (New) A method to increase the wool production of animals, the method comprising administering to a subject in need thereof an effective amount of a compound according to Claim 35.